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SUBJECT: INDIA WILL ENDORSE GLOBAL INITIATIVE TO COMBAT
NUCLEAR TERRORISM

Classified By: DCM John Davison for Reasons 1.4 (B and D)

¶1. (C) This is an action request for SCA and ISN. Please see para 3.

¶2. (C) Ministry of External Affairs Disarmament and International Security Director Amandeep Singh Gill told poloff in a June 11 telcon that India's Cabinet Committee on Security decided June 10 to join the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism. Gill said that he was working on the endorsement letter as he spoke, but that the Indian government would likely make the announcement during the week of June 16. He requested that the U.S. keep the news quiet, and wait for the Indian government to publicize the decision.

(Note: During a conversation on the margins of a conference, Gill told poloff June 9 that joint activities on radiological source security would be more likely to occur once India joined the Global Initiative. End Note.)

¶3. (C) Action request: Gill asked about upcoming Global Initiative activities in which India could participate; post would appreciate a list of upcoming activities to provide to the Indian government.

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